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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of					
Applicant(s):	Reto LUGINBUEHL				
For:	PROSTHETIC DEVICE FOR CARTILAGE REPAIR				
International Application N	o.: PCT/EP2004/006530				
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XXXX	Preliminary Amendment;
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22 DEC 2005 Priority of application Serial No. 03014191.5, filed on 24 June 2003 XXXX in Europe and PCT/EP2004/006530, filed on 17 June 2004 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 35 U.S.C. §365; XXXX Cover page of published PCT Publication No. WO 2005/000169 A2 and A3; Copy of International Preliminary Examination dated 18 July 2005; XXXX Copy of PCT Demand Under Article 31; and <u>XXXX</u> Copy of International Search Report dated 28 December 2004 Copy of Written Opinion. <u>XXXX</u> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) are transmitted herewith.

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